

## **RFI-9-D**

### **Questions – Answers**

**Q:** The RFI states that the Office is “...seeking an inventory on the current deployment of broadband services.” What is the specific requirement on the granularity of this inventory? i.e. at the census tract level, county level, at the service provider level, or are the most desirable statistics for each individual household/business premise statewide?

**A:** We are not sure what will be required at this point, so provide information on what would be possible and realistic.

**Q:** What datasets – if any – are currently available to the Office? The project will be greatly accelerated if the selected vendor does not have to “start from scratch”.

a. Base map? If so, what format? ESRI? AutoCAD, etc.

b. What graphical layers are included on the base map (if available)? For example, roads, road names, taxing jurisdictions, census tract polygons, rivers, lakes, etc.

c. What non-graphical data layers are included or available? For example, MSAG addresses, census data, land parcel information, etc.

**A:** At this point, there are some options on what datasets or products could be used. This is a request for information and we would prefer as much information be provided on the responder's area of expertise. If the responder has several areas of expertise, please provide as much information as possible as well as differences on approach.

**Q:** As you know, the FCC now requires local telephone and Internet access providers to report collective broadband data by census tract via Form 477. Will this collected data be made available to the State of Indiana and shared with their selected partner for this project?

**A:** If this data is needed to complete or help pursue the inventory and there are no disclosure issues, it will be used.

**Q:** Our lone question at this time is to ask what definition of broadband is in place here. For example, what are the download and upload determinants, or service type requirements from services such as Cable, DSL(ADSL,SDSL), T-1, Wireless 3G, Satellite, etc?

**A:** The definition of broadband is as described in the Broadband Opportunities Program within the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009.

**Q:** Where does your current broadband data reside today, are some paper/raster, in a CAD format, or other GIS format?

**A:** We do not have a central repository of broadband data. Data would need to be collected as part of this effort.

**Q:** Can you provide the extents of this mapping from a square mileage or number of features?

**A:** This effort would cover the entire state boundaries of Indiana.

**Q:** What type of landbase will you anticipate to utilize for this mapping?

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**Q:** What GIS application or platform do you have or anticipate utilizing for this effort?  
ESRI, Intergraph, GE Smallworld for example.

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**Q:** Estimated costs – are you looking for a range of costs, T&M, not to exceed type figure?

**A:** We are looking for as much information as you can provide.

**Q:** Schedule – When do you anticipate to begin this project?

**A:** Depending on the assessment of the information gathered from this RFI, this project could begin within months.